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ACTIVITIES FOR DEVELOPMENT - TECHNICAL

COOPERATION AMONG DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

(ITEM 46 (A) - DRAFT RES A/C.2/L/1348 REV 2

REFS: 1) USUN 3970; 2) USUN 4631; 3) STATE 227257;

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1. L.1348/REV 2 AS FURTHER ORALLY AMENDED ADOPTED
WITHOUT VOTE BY SECOND COMITE P.M. NOVEMBER
FOLLOWED BY STATEMENTS AND EXPLANATIONS AFTER THE
VOTE BY ALBANIA, FRG, US, UK, ALGERIA, CHINA, USSR,
BELGIUM, GDR AND ARGENTINA.

2. ORAL AMENDMENTS TO PREAMBULAR PARA 3 ANNOUNCED
BY VICE CHAIRMAN MASSONET (BELGIUM) WHO CHAIRED
NEGOTIATIONS AS FOLLOWS: -) SUBSTITUTION OF WORD
"A" FOR "THE" NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER AT
THE END OF LINE ONE AND THE ADDITION OF THE WORDS
"THE PERTINENT PROVISIONS OF " FOLLOWING THE WORD
"WITH" IN LINE TWO.

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3. GIST OF STATEMENTS AS FOLLOWS:

A. CHINA AND ALBANIA DEPLORED PARA 40 OF THE FINAL REPORT OF THE WORKING GROUP BECAUSE IT SERVES TO PERPETUATE ONE OF THE CRUEL SHAMS OF ONE OF THE SUPER POWERS (THE USSR) NAMELY THAT DIMINSHED EXPENDITURES IN ARMAMENTS SHOULD PROVIDE AN IMPORTANT ADDITIONAL SOURCE OF FUNDING FOR INTER ALIA, TCDC.

B. USSR, GDR AND ITALY EXPRESSING LOW KEY CONCERN AND/OR RESERVATIONS RE THE FINANCING OF THE INTER GOVERNMENTAL SYMPOSIUM ON TCDC CALLED FOR IN OP PARA 4. GDR SAID IT DID NOT WANT TO SEE UN REGULAR BUDGE USED TO FINANCE THE SYMPOSIUM. USSR SAYING IT SERVED ITS POSITION ON USING UN REGULAR FUNDS UNTIL MATTER WAS DISCUSSED BY THE FIFTH COMITE.

C. FRG, UK AND BELGIUM SAID WHILE WARMLY SUPPORTED CONCEPT OF TCDC THEY WANTED RECORD TO SHOW THAT THEY RETAINED THE RESERVATIONS ON THE FINAL REPORT OF THE WG THEY HAD MAADE AT 18TH MEETING OF GC OF UNDP AND THAT AS THEY INTERPRETED WORDING OF PREAMBULAR PARA THREE IT COULD NOT AND DID NOT JEOPARDIZE OR IN ANY WAY DIMINISH THE RESERVATIONS TO THE NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER, THE DECLARATION AND PROGRAMME OF ACTION THAT THEY HAD EXPRESSED AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE SIXTH SPECIAL SESSION OF THE GA.

D. ALGERIA SAID IT INTERPRETED PREAMBULAR PARA THREE VERY DIFFERENTLY, ESPECIALLY IN CONNECTION WITH VIII OF THE PROGRAMME OF ACTION - ASSISTANCE IN THE EXERCISE OF PERMENENT SOVEREIGNTY OVER NATURAL RESOURCES--WHICH IT VIEWED AS A STANDING CONDITION MEANING AMONG OTHER THINGS THAT IF AN LDC NATIONALIZED CERTAIN FACILITIES AND THEN ASKED UNDP TO PROVIDE IT WITH TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE IN RUNNING SUCH FACILITIES DURING A TRANSITIONAL PERIOD UNDP SHOULD SO OBLIGE.

E. ARGENTINA (FLEMING) SAID THAT PASSAGE OF TCDC RESOLUTION MARKED A HISTORIC MOMENT IN THE UN ADDING THAT RECOGNIZED DIFFICULTIES THAT WENT WITH MAKING MAJOR CHANGES BUT ESPECIALLY AFTER THE SIXTH SPECIAL SESSION OF GA ALL MUST STRIVE TO PUT SUCH CHANGES IN MOTION.

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F. U.S. DEL STATEMENT QUOTED BELOW:

"MY DELEGATION WAS PLEASED TO GO ALONG WITH THIS RESOLUTION ADOPTED WITHOUT VOTE FOLLOWING LONG, ARDUOUS BUT EVENTUALLY SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED CONSULTATIONS.

"VERY BRIEFLY MY DELEGATION WOULD LIKE TO STATE TWO POINTS AS REGARDS PREAMBULAR PARA THREE OF THIS RESOLUTION. POINT NUMBER ONE BEING THAT THE

U.S. CONSIDERS THE 'PERTINENT PROVISIONS OF THE DECLARATION AND PROGRAMME OF ACTION' AS BEING THOSE DEALING WITH THE SUBJECT OF THIS RESOLUTION, THAT IS WITH TECHNICAL COOPERATION AMONG DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND/OR IN A BROADER SENSE WITH UNDP AND THE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE ACTIVITIES IT CONDUCTS. THE SECOND POINT THE U.S. WOULD LIKE THE RECORD TO SHOW IS THAT IN THE VIEW OF THE U.S. THE ELEMENTS WHICH MAY EMERGE IN A NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER ARE NOT RESTRICTED TO THE TERMS OF THE DECLARATION AND THE PROGRAMME OF ACTION.

"AS MANY IN THIS ROOM ARE AWARE MY GOVERNMENT BELIEVES STRONGLY IN THE IMPORTANCE OF TECHNICAL COOPERATION AMONG DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

"AS A RESULT IT SUPPORTED THE ORIGINAL RESOLUTION, AND RECOGNIZED THEN AND RECOGNIZES NOW IN THE EXPANSION OF TCDC A GENUINELY NEW DIMENSION IN TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE INITIATIVES AND RELATIONSHIPS, PROMOTING THE SELF-RELIANCE OF THE DEVELOPING WORLD AND BRINGING ABOUT CULTURALLY ACCEPTABLE AND COST-EFFECTIVE METHODS IN THE DELIVERY OF SERVICES.

"MY GOVERNMENT PLAYED AN ACTIVE ROLE IN ALL OF THE DELIBERATIONS OF THE WORKING GROUP AND IN THE EARLIER DISCUSSIONS OF THE FINAL REPORT OF THE WORKING GROUP THAT TOOK PLACE IN JUNE IN MANILA AT THE 18TH SESSION OF THE UNDP GOVERNING COUNCIL.

"THE UNITED STATES HAS ALSO INDICATED IN ANY EARLIER STATEMENT BEFORE THIS COMMITTEE THAT IT WOULD CONSIDER A REQUEST WITHIN ITS MANPOWER AVAILABILITIES TO ASSIST, TOGETHER WITH OTHER DONORS, IN THE WORK OF THE INFORMATIONAL REFERRAL SYSTEM RECOMMENDED BY THE WORKING GROUP.

"WHILE MY GOVERNMENT IS IN AGREEMENT WITH MOST
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OF THE IMPORTANT POINTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED IN THE FINAL REPORT OF THE WORKING GROUP IT CONTINUES TO BELIEVE, AS IT EARLIER STATED AT THE 18TH GOVERNING COUNCIL MEETING OF UNDP, THAT SOME OF THE IMPORTANT RECOMMENDATIONS MADE IN THE REPORT NEED TO BE FURTHER STUDIED, DISCUSSED AND POSSIBLY MODIFIED."
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